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### EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY RECORD

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

- (1) Mary Anne Armstrong (App Rep) (3) U. Winkler (PTO)  
(2) James Howell (PTO-SP) (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of interview 11/15/04

Type: ☐ Telephonic ☒ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☒ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☐ No. If yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

Agreement ☐ was reached with respect to some or all of the claims in question. ☐ was not reached.

Claims discussed: all pending

Identification of prior art discussed: Kondo et al.; Harada et al.; Shikukawa et al.;  
Diers et al.; Luo et al.; & Galle et al.

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Discussed possible use of a 3<sup>rd</sup> party expert to explain why the FAS/FAS-C  
mechanism was NOT involved based on the prior art; what the  
differences of pathologies of cirrhosis; hepatic cirrhosis and bile duct dysplasia.  
Discuss the different technologies & models.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

- ☒ 1. It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph below has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW (e.g., items 1-7 on the reverse side of this form). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, then applicant is given one month from this interview date to provide a statement of the substance of the interview.

- ☐ 2. Since the examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the substance of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.

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Examiner's Signature